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**EXTENSION PETITION**

Sir:

The undersigned attorney respectfully petitions for a three-month extension of time to reset the deadline for response to the Office Action mailed on July 2, 2009 in the above-identified application from October 2, 2009 to and including January 2, 2010. A \$1,110 fee is due in connection with the filing of this Petition. The Examiner is hereby authorized to charge this \$1,110 fee to Deposit Account No. 501561. If any further fees are due, the Examiner is hereby authorized to charge them to Deposit Account No. 501561.

Respectfully submitted,

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